

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Buco et al.	§ Group Art Unit: 2195
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Serial No.: 10/658,726	§ Examiner: Zhe, Meng Yao
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Filed: September 9, 2003	§ Confirmation No.: 2799
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For: Method, Apparatus, and Program for Scheduling Resources in a Penalty-Based Environment	§ Attorney Docket No.: YOR920030132US1

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

No fees are believed to be necessary. If, however, any fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is necessary, I authorize the Commissioner to charge the necessary extension fees to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

In response to the Office Action of March 31, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.